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2 ENTITY AUTHENTICATION IN A SHARED HOSTING COMPUTER

3 NETWORK ENVIRONMENT

4 Abstract of the Disclosure

5 Apparati, methods, and computer readable media for
6 authenticating an entity (9) in a shared hosting computer network
7 (4) environment. A service provider computer (2) contains a
8 plurality of entity sites (5). Connected to the service provider
9 computer (2), a trusted third party computer (1) is adapted to
10 provide a conglomerated authenticity certification to the service
11 provider computer (2). Coupled to the trusted third party
12 computer (1) is a means (10) for enabling an entity (9) to seek
13 to convert the conglomerated authenticity certification into an
14 individualized authenticity certification covering that entity's
15 site (5).
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